Crops and Soils Day To Be Held July 13

Crops and Soils Day, scheduled for Tuesday, July 13, at the Northwest School and Station, will be of special interest to Red River Valley farmers this year. New varieties of disease-resistant crops growing on the experimental plots and increase fields will be shown in comparison with the older recommended crop varieties.

The program for the day starts at 10:30 A.M. with the annual business meeting of the Red River Valley Crops and Soils Association in the school library. A tour of the livestock and poultry yards is scheduled for 11:00 A.M. with O. M. Kiser and A. M. Pilkey, in charge.

Crop experts from University Farm, St. Paul, headed by Dean and Director C. H. Bailey and Vice-director F. R. Irmer will take part on the program which starts at 1:30 P.M. Dr. H. K. Hayes, noted small grain and corn breeder and chief of the Division of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, will be present to discuss “Recent Developments in the Production of New Strains of Forage Crops.” Plant disease specialists Carl J. Riede and J. J. Christensen will give latest information on disease control in potatoes and cereal crops.

R. S. Dunham, station agronomist, will conduct the tour of inspection through the crops and forage plots at the Northwest Experiment Station. J. H. Wangel, horticulturist, will lead the tour through the potato plots.

New crops and items of interest to be seen on the tour of experimental plots include:

- FLAX: variety test with such new varieties as Crystal, Koto, and Victory.
- BARLEY: New Minnesota hybrids of early strain, with a straw, high husked weight, and rust resistant.
- WHEAT: Small plots and increase field of New Thatch which will replace the older variety. Two new macaroni wheats, Carlton and Stewart, are in small increase plots this year.
- OATS: New smut and crown rust resistant varieties. Tama and Viceland are grown in comparison with older recommended varieties.
- CORN: All of the leading early recommended corn hybrids will be found in the corn variety tests.
- SOYBEANS: The earliest varieties of soybeans, Kabbot, Pagoda, and Minsye, will be found in the 1/40 Acre plots.
- Strain tests of grasses include desirable strains of brome grass, meadow fescue, crested wheat, Timothy, and orchard grass.

Ten pasture grass combinations, alfalfa and sweet clover variety trials, will be of interest to both crops and livestock men.

A new method of test of interest to farmers this year is the hemp variety, seedling and seed treatment test, in which Kentucky and Chilean hempes are grown in comparison.

New varieties of potatoes and comprehensive spraying and seed treatment tests will be shown on the tour of potato plots.

Alumni Reunion Postponed

The Northwest School Alumni Reunion, traditionally held on the last Saturday of June, has been postponed until fall. In keeping with the recommendation of the Office of Defense Transportation, it has been decided to postpone the alumni reunion until there is an easing in the transportation situation.

Many alumni have asked that the reunion and annual business meeting of the Association be held in conjunction with the Homecoming program in October.

Definite announcement of Homecoming plans will be made later in the summer as soon as the football schedule for the school year is complete.

Rain Hampers Farm Work

Wet and cloudy weather over the Red River Valley counties has delayed seeding of late crops and seriously retarded cultivation of crops. Counties suffering the greatest set-back in seeding due to heavy rains and floods include Lake of the Woods, Roseau, and eastern parts of Kittson, Marshall and Pennington counties. A flash flood in the headwaters region of the Wild Rice river in Mahnomen county during the first week in June caused considerable flood damage to property and crops in central Norman county. The more rolling land in the southern and southeastern parts of the Red River Valley has suffered less crop damage from water

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666 Attend 4-H Camp

The 32nd annual 4-H Club Camp at the Northwest School of Agriculture, Crookston, closed on Wednesday, June 9, with an enrollment of 666 club members. Fourteen Northwestern Minnesota counties were represented at the camp with Kittson county taking top honors for the largest enrollment with 100 club members present. Other counties with large enrollment were West Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, and Norman.

4-H club members from Ottertail county came the greatest distance. Class instruction in all food and feed production projects was given daily to all club members.

H. A. Pfuhloehft, district 4-H club agent, served as camp leader. Members of staff of the Northwest School and specialists from the Agricultural Extension Division, University Farm, St. Paul, headed the faculty for the camp. County club agents from all counties served as county leaders for their respective county groups.

Contest Winners Announced

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Large Enrollment in Home Project Work

The field and laboratory work of the students of the three Northwestern Minnesota Schools of Agriculture has been transferred to the homes and farms of the students during the summer months, according to Superintendent Mr. McCall. More than three hundred students in the Red River Valley counties are applying lessons learned in the classroom and acquiring new knowledge for school credit on a score of projects for girls and twenty-seven projects for boys.

Major emphasis was placed this year on farm production and efficiency projects for boys. Forty boys are growing foundation seed plots of new and approved varieties of grains while others are growing certified seed potatoes, corn, and garden crops. In livestock work, baby beef, sheep, pork and dairy herd management projects are most popular. A total of thirty-seven students are keeping records of performance and cost of tractors and combines. All phases of farm and home life are covered in the summer work the students are doing.

Project supervisors from the school visit the student and check the progress of work during the summer.

New Scholarships Offered For 1943-44 School Year

From eight to ten new scholarships, valued at fifty dollars each, will be offered students at the Northwest School for the school year beginning on October 4. The scholarships are made possible through an endowment by the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. The scholarships will be awarded a boy and a girl in each of four Red River Valley agency districts of the company.

The scholarship nominees are to be recommended to the Northwest School Scholarship Committee by a committee selected in each county from leaders in county agent and 4-H club work. Rules to be observed in the selection of the scholarship winners are now being formulated so that recipients of scholarships can attend school this fall.

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THE NORTHWEST MONTHLY

Women’s Camp Has Large Enrollment
Officers Elected for 1944 Camp

A new attendance record was established at the eighteenth annual Women's Camp held June 14-17 at the Northwest School of Agriculture at Crookston. With 128 women in residence and 100 in total attendance. The women came from the Red River Valley counties of Minnesota and North Dakota.

Nutrition of the family in war-time was the general theme of the food demonstrations conducted by food specialists Miss Lou Tregoning of the Northwestern Yeast Company and Miss Margaret Saurer of the Kraft Cheese Company, Chicago. Other speakers appearing on the camp program included Arnold Jensen of the Interstate Power Company, A. M. Pilkey, poultryman; Mrs. H. H. Hodgson of Crookston; Superintendent T. M. McCall, A. M. Foker, and Mrs. Ida Swanson of Crookston. Handicraft in woodworking, knitting and crocheting was offered to the campers each day. The recreational and swimming program was directed by Miss Avonelle Gregoire of Bemidji. Miss Retta Bede of the Northwest School was camp leader.

Officers elected for the 1944 Women’s Camp include: Mrs. Emil Peterson of Middle River, president; Mrs. C. B. McManus, McIntosh, vice-president; Mrs. Elmer Sjostrand, Hallock, secretary; Mrs. Harry Woolson, Thief River Falls, treasurer; and Mrs. C. D. Chandler, Euclid, sergeant-at-arms.

At the final assembly of the women’s camp on Thursday afternoon, June 17, certificates were awarded to campers in attendance for the fourth and eighth year classes. Linen awards were made to the twelve-year campers and bouquets were presented to campers in attendance fifteen years and over. Superintendent T. M. McCall gave the closing address speaking on the subject “Maintaining Production of Food and Morale on the Home Front.”

Women who were “in residence” at the 1943 Women’s Camp and the number of years they have been in attendance is as follows:

16 Years
Mrs. Ella Anderson, Fisher.
Mrs. Emil Peterson, Middle River.

15 Years
Mrs. C. H. Roholt, Mayville, N. D.
Mrs. Wm. Story, Bemidji.

12 Years
Mrs. A. L. Anderson, Angus.
Mrs. O. R. Crown, Winger.

11 Years
Mrs. C. O. Anderson, Crookston.
Mrs. E. M. Evans, Middle River.

9 Years
Mrs. Maude Anderson, East Grand Forks.
Mrs. E. S. Ahash, Bejou.

8 Years
Mrs. John Penne, Mayville.

7 Years
Mrs. Conrad Brandt, Gonvick.

6 Years
Mrs. I. N. Chandler, Euclid.
Mrs. Herman Erickson, Fertile.
Mrs. Olaf Haug, Oslo.

5 Years
Mrs. H. E. Johnston, Angus.
Mrs. Leslie Kliner, Angus.
Mrs. C. B. McManus, McIntosh.
Mrs. Loretta Weckwerth, Hazel.

4 Years
Mrs. S. M. Ecklund, Hallock.
Mrs. Garvin E. Johnson, Hallock.
Mrs. Arne Landauer, Fosston.
Mrs. Walter Oberg, Angus.

3 Years
Mrs. Christ Person, Thief River Falls.
Miss Ragna Skarstad, East Grand Forks.

2 Years
Mrs. H. C. Woolson, Thief River Falls.
Mrs. Anton Anderson, Argyle.
Mrs. Ole Balke, Winger.

1 Year
Mrs. Mark Craig, Hallock.
Mrs. Elmer Erickson, Plummer.
Mrs. J. H. Filipi, Angus.
Mrs. Alfred Hvidsten, Stephen.
Mrs. A. C. Jensen, Winger.

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Major Wm. Johnson In Asia

Major William E. Johnson, a graduate of the Northwest School in 1929, is rendering valuable service to the armed forces in Asia. He is a former captain of the National Guard Company at Duluth, Minnesota. The following news item regarding Major Johnson’s work, taken from the “Duluth News Tribune”, will be of interest to Northwest School Alumni: “Thousands of miles away in Oran, Algeria, North Africa, a Duluth farmer is helping to decide how much should be paid to the aggrieved parties whose persons or property have been damaged by American armed forces. He is Major William Johnson, who left his 200-acre farm six miles outside of Duluth to serve with the army claims commission which was set up two weeks after the landing of American forces in Algeria last November.

According to a report received here, the commission took Johnson along “in order to be able to handle such cases intelligently.”

There are twelve officers and thirteen enlisted men in the Claims section. They handled 165 cases in the first two weeks and paid off the first complainant three days after arriving. Most of the claims are minor ones. Many are for damage to crops where soldiers marched across fields or camped for the night.”

WANTED

Names and addresses of former students and alumni in armed forces of the United States. The present mailing list is incomplete due to changes of address of boys in service. School news will be sent regularly to boys in service. Send information to Sup’t T. M. McCall, Northwest School, Crookston, Minn.

1944 WOMEN'S CAMP OFFICERS

Officers for the 1944 Women’s Camp at the Northwest School were elected at the Women’s Camp held June 14-17. Pictured above, reading from left to right, are: FRONT ROW: Mrs. C. B. McManus, McIntosh—Vice-president; Mrs. Emil Peterson, Middle River—President; Mrs. Harry Woolson, Thief River Falls—Treasurer; Mrs. Elmer Erickson, Plummer—Secretary; Mrs. C. D. Chandler, Crookston—Sarge at-arms.
NORTHWEST SCHOOL BRIEFS

News of Alumni and Former Students in Military Service:

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**Pvt. Hilbert Thompson, A. P. O. 8748, c/o Postmaster, Seattle, Washington.**

**PFC James R. Halliday, A. S. N. 37284264, E. 331st Engineers, c/o Postmaster, A. P. O. 884, Seattle, Washington.**

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**Cpl. Ledyard Burhans, 31st General Hospital, Building E 3263, Camp Carlen, Colorado.**


**Theodore R. Choate, A. P. O. 89, Camp Cook, Surf, Illinois.**

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**Pvt. Leroy M. Larson, Co. E, 2nd Bat. 9th Marines, c/o Fleet Postoffice, San Francisco, California. He is overseas.***

**Pvt. Lawrence A. Anderson, 37288469, 96th Bombardment Squadron (H), 2nd Bombardment Group (H), A. P. O., 767 c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y. He is in North Africa.***

**59th Arm'd. Inf., Regt., 13th Arm'd. Div., Camp Beale, California.***

**Donald L. Erickson, A. F. T. S., Training Detachment, Army Air Force, Delgado Trades School, Class 27, 615 City Park Avenue, New Orleans, La.***


**Paul Hasty, Navy Training School, Nashville, Tennessee.***

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**Mrs. T. J. Bates, Stephen.**

**Mrs. Joe Boutain, Red Lake Falls.**

**Mrs. H. P. Briden, Crookston.**

**Mrs. Joseph Brunelle, Crookston.**

**Mrs. Pat Brunelle, Red Lake Falls.**

**Mrs. Odelon Casavan, Dorothy.**

**Mrs. C. M. Dahl, Kennedy.**

**Mrs. Archie Eisenich, Donaldson.**

**Mrs. Chester N. Fowler, Hallock.**

**Mrs. Stephen Gillies, Stephen.**

**Mrs. Fred Griffin, Hallock.**

**Mrs. H. E. Hanson, Bagley.**

**Mrs. Bennie Haspka, Artley.**

**Mrs. Edna C. Naplin, Red Lake Falls.**

**Mrs. Joseph Thompson, McIntosh.**

**Mrs. H. S. Thibodo, Stephen.**

**Mrs. Mary Jane Anderson, Stephen.**

**Mrs. Beryl K. Mosbeck, Red Lake Falls.**

**BUY WAR BONDS**

**RAIN HAMPERS FARM WORK**

(Continued from Page 2) growing on potato dumps become infected with the late blight of the potato and become centers of infection which the disease may spread over large areas. While no late blight on potatoes is reported in the Red River Valley area, growers are warned to keep potato plants covered with copper sprays to prevent the disease from getting started.

New insects and diseases are constantly appearing which means that crop and livestock producers must be ever vigilant in detecting pests so that prompt control measures can be applied.